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5 April 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

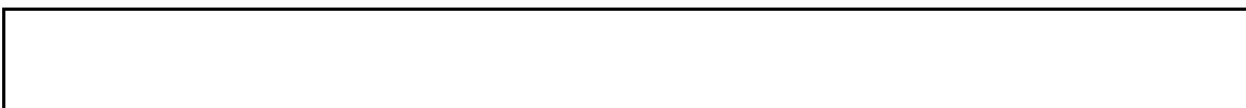
Morning Meeting of 5 April 1968

DD/I advised that we expect to learn DIA's official strength figures this morning but that, in any case, General Wheeler has asked MACV to send a team to Washington next week to work with CIA and DIA on the order of battle. DD/I indicated that CIA will seek to host and chair the working meetings.

Godfrey reported that a demonstration over Dr. King's assassination has taken place in Kisangani and that we undoubtedly can expect a wave of such activity.

Godfrey advised that American and Laotian officials have all denied any knowledge of the bombing near Lai Chau, north of the 20th parallel.

Godfrey observed that, although enemy artillery is still emplaced on the heights, it appears that Communist infantry has withdrawn from around the Khe Sanh perimeter.



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ADD/S reported that the Director of Security activated the emergency security plan last night.

ADD/S advised that Brigadier General Bennett, who was involved in the Defense/CIA RDC program negotiations, will be among those whom the Director is addressing today at Project USEFUL.

Carver noted an invitation from Hans Heymann to participate in a symposium, and the Director asked Admiral Taylor to check it out.

Bross advised concerning a number of agenda items and issues pertaining to the 11-12 April PFIAB meeting.

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The Director asked the DD/S&T to monitor policy developments in connection with reconnaissance over Vietnam.

The Director asked the DD/I to ensure that State is promptly providing us with all traffic relevant to Vietnam negotiations.

The Director stated that matters affecting Vietnam negotiations will be held in the Agency on the strictest need-to-know basis. (See Action 1)

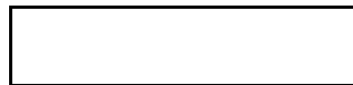


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The Director urged senior Agency officials to maintain their composure and to avoid overreactions, particularly in discussions with their subordinate elements, in dealing with and discussing the turmoil which may or may not arise in the aftermath of Dr. King's assassination.

ACTIONS:

1. The Director asked the DD/I to provide him with a list of individuals in the Agency who will need to have access to negotiations traffic.
2. The Director asked the DD/I to provide him with copies of the OCI memorandum on the Middle East prepared for Ambassador Goldberg to send to Secretaries Katzenbach and Nitze.



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